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When we began planning in 2007 for the launch of an electronic journal, we considered several names. Many were brilliant, but too long to fit on a single page. Others might have limited our readership considerably, but were near and dear to a couple of hearts. As is often a good idea, we finally returned to our origins and remembered a phrase, “Minding Nature,” that was hovering in the conversations at the Center’s founding. Recently, in the CHN archives, I came across the conference agenda pictured here. In an important sense, it was at the New School for Social Research in 2003, where Strachan Donnelley many years before had earned his Ph.D., that *Minding Nature* was born. Nineteen issues and counting. -Ed.

MINDING NATURE

A series of lectures and audience discussions co-sponsored by the Center for Humans and Nature and the Department of Philosophy of The Graduate Faculty of New School University.

November 7-8, 2003
9:00-5:00 p.m., Wolff Conference Room 229
New School University, 65 Fifth Avenue (between 13th and 14th Streets)

PROGRAM

Friday, November 7

9:00-10:30 a.m.
Strachan Donnelley, Center for Humans and Nature, NYC: “Minding Nature, Minding Ourselves: Spinoza and Darwin”

11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Erwin Fielesner, Hunter College, NYC: “Biology’s Struggles with Reductionism and Determinism”

1:30-3:00 p.m.
Gordon Burghardt, University of Tennessee, TN: “Playing at Different Levels at the Same Time: Evolution, Humans, and Humanism”

3:15-4:45 p.m.
Richard J. Bernstein, New School University, NYC: “Rethinking Naturalism: Darwin and Pragmatism”

Saturday, November 8

9:00-10:30 a.m. **Michael Steiper**, Hunter College, NYC: “The Emphasis and De-Emphasis of Human Uniqueness in Biological Anthropology”

11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **Bruce Jennings**, The Hastings Center, NYC: “The Natural and the Political: Evolution’s Challenge to Social Contract Theory”

1:30-3:00 p.m. **Ron Engel**, Center for Humans and Nature, Chicago: “Democracy, Nature and Religious Faith: Prospects for a New Global Covenant”

3:15-4:45 p.m. **Laura Walls**, Lafayette College, PA: “Ralph Waldo Emerson: from Reductionism to Pragmatism”

4:45 p.m. **Strachan Donnelley**, Center for Humans and Nature, NYC: “Future Directions”

Free and open to the public.

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